

Bar Hill News

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As I sit here writing, gazing out of my window at the Summer rain, 'well, the garden needs it', my Wife doing the cleaning and one little boy belting my toes with his hammer, I'm thinking of the Autumn and Winter activities run by the Organisations and Clubs of the Village:- badminton, chess, drama, keep fit, brewing your own booze, Red Cross, W.E.A., etc. etc. You know there is so much going on that there is no need to sit at home on those long evenings - "hold on" you say, it's only August - but the Autumn term starts next month. I hope likewise you will be able to support at least one of the Village Organisations.

There is one Organisation which does need your support, and that is your Residents Association. Unfortunately as you have read in past editions of the News owing to family commitments, several Committee Members have had to resign. These resignations have left a hole which needs your help in filling. If you feel that you would like to help, but do not know what the job will consist of contact either Mary Ingram or Gerry Brunning and have a chat.

Please remember that the Bar Hill News is your News and that we welcome not only articles from Organisations, but also the Residents of Bar Hill. If you want to buy or sell anything remember Bar Hill News runs advertisements.

As the said little boy has now taken to belting the cat with his hammer - I had better go!

The objectives of the BHRA are to act as an intermediary between the residents and other parties, to keep residents informed of matters of importance and recreation in and around the village, and to promote the interest of Bar Hill Village.

This year's Committee are:

PARISH COUNCIL

Full text of Minutes can be seen on the Notice Board in the Mall.

1. Playing Fields

Please do not use the School playing field for recreational activities but instead use the much larger area of the Village Green which is adjacent to the Spine Path.

2. New Parish Councillor

Mrs. Cynthia Murden of 29 Oatlands Avenue was elected by a secret ballot of Councillors, and fills the vacancy caused by Peter Wood's resignation.

3. New School Manager

Mr. John Willis has been elected to the School Managers. (The Parish Council nominates three of the nine Managers).

4. New Parish Clerk

Two applications have been received and interviews are to be held in early August.

5. Planning

The major item was an application by the Developers for phases 11B and 11C, i.e. the land between Appletrees, the path behind Foxhollow and the School Playing Field. The application, for 63 four bedroomed detached houses, was in general welcomed although a number of comments will be sent to the Planning Authority. For instance, it was agreed that a mix of house sizes/types is desirable particularly so where phase 11B meets the existing phase 11A.

Other planning items were a small extension to HM Electronics, the detailed design/plans for the Village Hall, the new siting for the Hotel flagpoles and an extension to 35 Foxhollow.

6. Bus Passes for Retired Residents

Please read the separate notice and contact Miss Moss before applying to renew the pass.

7. Next Meeting - August 16th at 8 p.m. at the Green Hut. Public are invited.

DAN HILL RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION MINUTES

Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday July 4th 1977 at the School.

Minutes of the last Meeting were read and approved.

Apologies for absence were received from Mr. D. Price, Mr. Grey, Mr. J. Wood.

Resignations Mr. D. Tyler, 75 Hollytrees
Mr. A. Gowan, 27 Gladeside

Thanks were given for their work over the past months.

Matters Arising A.O.B. Items

1. Development of the Green. Parish Council have refused permission.
2. Manhole cover. Believed to be dealt with.
3. Bonfire night. Awaiting to hear from Developers.
4. Information Booklet. Will be ready for typing in a couple of weeks. Will consult the Parish Council to see if they will join their booklet with our information booklet
5. Retired Residents. We are obtaining advice. Action will be taken when all has been considered.
6. Improperly parked cars. Action is underway.

Membership Mr. Price was unable to report but it is known that there are several areas of the village which have not been covered, as Committee Members have resigned before completing areas. These areas will have to be covered in the next few weeks by the remaining Committee.

Treasurer's Report Mr. Clapinski reported on the lack of funds and it is very important to obtain the maximum amount of membership as this year we are running for 15 months instead of 12 at the same membership fee.

Parish Council Report Mr. Brunning reported on a very lengthy Meeting, lasting until the small hours. He informed the Committee on several items of interest to the Village. Permission was asked for to run a cycle race again next year. This was given. Parish Council are to take advantage of obtaining more trees for the Village. Parish Council have agreed to drain the Village Green up to a cost of £1,500. The developing of the top of the green was discussed. There seems to be a discrepancy about boundary lines.

Parish Council reported that the lack of grass cutting is due to one of the workers being disabled with a broken bone.

Bar Hill News As the production team has diminished, Terry Wingate has offered his services. The Committee are to ask the Parish Council for a duplicate key to the room where the duplicator is kept, thus cutting down on wasted time looking for the holder of the key. It has been suggested to try boxed heading in the next edition.

Fund Raising The Committee have decided to organise small ventures to raise money in the near future. The money raised will go towards offsetting the cost of the news, and to extend the adventure playground.

Village Hall Complex Mr. Brunning reported that the Grant Application has been applied for, the building costing £39,000, split £50,000 from the Developers, £2,000 Playgroup, £1,500 Parish Council, and £1,500 from the village.

Discussion took place about the Complex, its siting. Plans were shown and several points were cleared up.

Structure Plan Mr. Brunning apologizes for not having the petition ready. However, the Parish Council have agreed to back the petition. It is hoped to be distributed this month.

- A.O.E.
1. Complaints have been received about the lack of grass cutting being done.
 2. Complaints have been received about the state of the road outside the Fox, where it was dug up and not resealed. Also about the white lines on the Roadway.
 3. Complaints have been received about the grass not being cut under seats, around lamp posts and flower beds not being mowed.
 4. Complaints have been received about the planning application on the Village Green. As there is a discrepancy about the boundaries, we have been asked to clarify the matter.
 5. Complaints have been received about the new roundabout outside Fosco and Cambridge Consultants. We have been asked if anything can be done before a life is lost. It has been suggested that the shape be changed. Also direction arrows put in.
 6. Complaints have been received about pedestrians walking down the perimeter road two abreast. Can something be done before the winter?
 7. Complaints have been received about the wide pathway leading opposite the side of 29 Otlands Avenue on to the Green area. Someone is taking large vans and small lorries up there. We have been asked if bollards could be put in to stop them?
 3. Complaints have been received about the state of the spine path outside the Green Hut. We have been asked if the corner there will be made up and if the manhole cover can be put back as it protrudes several inches.

9. The Committee were delighted to accept Mr. Martin Churchill of 13 Outlands Avenue on to the Committee as the Tesco Representative.

10. It has been proposed to start a temporary Youth Club in the Para House. All possibilities are being looked into, and more information will be available shortly.

The meeting closed at 10.20 p.m. The next meeting will be on August 1st at 3 p.m. at 17 Otter Close.

Agenda

1. Minutes of the last meeting.
2. Apologies
3. Matters arising
4. Membership
5. Parish Council report
6. Bar Hill News
7. Fund Raising
8. Village Hall report
9. C.S.J.A. report
10. A.O.B.

BAR HILL CHURCH

Ministers: Rev. Richard Smart, The Rectory, Scotland Road, Dry Drayton. Tel. Crafts Hill 30323.
Rev. Gladys Seymour, The Church House, 19 Acorn Avenue, Bar Hill. Tel. Crafts Hill 30331.

The Church, sponsored by the Baptist Union, the Church of England, the Methodist Church, the Religious Society of Friends and the United Reformed Church, welcomes the co-operation of all Christians in its life and work. We specially extend a warm welcome to all new Residents to the Village.

Sunday Services

10.00 a.m. Family Worship and Communion (unless otherwise stated)
3.00 p.m. Prayer Fellowship (with Communion on August 7th)

Preachers at 10.00 a.m.

7th August Rev. Gladys Seymour (no Communion at 10.00 a.m.)
14th August Rev. Gladys Seymour
21st August Rev. Richard Smart
28th August Rev. Richard Smart
4th Sept. Rev. Richard Smart

At the 10.00 a.m. service a crèche is provided for the under threes. During August and on September 4th, other children will remain for the whole service.

The Rev. Richard Smart will be away on holiday from 23rd July to 12th August. The Rev. Gladys Seymour will be away on holiday from August 31st to September 14th.

House Fellowship

Times and places can be found on the notice board inside the Church Centre.

Operation Church Centre

While the Playgroup and other organisations have closed down for August, the Meeting Room and the window frames of the Church Centre are being re-decorated. We need an absolute army of people who will give at least two hours time to helping with this. If you can't wait, there are cleaning-up operations with which you can help. Please don't hesitate to offer. Contact either Ron Meadows (CH 30270) or one of the Ministers.

RETIRED AND LEFT BUS PASSES

Will all retired residents who intend applying to renew their pass, please contact Miss Moss before doing so. If you know of any retired resident who does not know about these bus passes, will you please contact Miss Moss on their behalf or make sure they know about them.

A. Manser Clerk.

VILLAGE HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

The Committee meets on the third Tuesday of each month and the next will be on August 19th at 8 p.m. in the Green Hut. All the Organisations of the Village have a right to have a Member on the Committee. Any Organisation which did not send a Representative to the last meeting on July 5th may do so to the next meeting.

John Mills.

DRAMA GROUP

In spite of reports to the contrary, the Drama Group is still in being. Due to a shortage of members it has not been possible to stage a production for some time, but there have been sufficient enquiries as to the date of our next offering to show that interest is still alive, so why not come along and join us? The first meeting of the new school year will be in the school at 8.00 p.m. on 6th September and, provided sufficient support is forthcoming, plans can be laid and rehearsals got under way. Whether your interests lie behind the footlights or behind the scenes WE NEED YOU. Don't be shy - come and meet us on September 6th. You never know, we might even buy you a coffee!

Perry Collins

NEARLY NEW SALES

There will be no Nearly New sales in August. The next sale will be on Tuesday 6th and Wednesday 7th September.

Isabel Wilson.

ALLCOMERS

There will be no 3 course or buffet lunch in August.

Next Buffet Lunch - Wednesday 7th September at 12 noon at the Church Centre.

3 Course Lunch - 15th September at 1 p.m. at the Church Centre.

There will be no Allcomers in August.

W.E.A. NEWS

At the meeting held on 6th July to discuss our Autumn course, those of us among the uninitiated were agreeably surprised to discover the relevance of Social Anthropology to ourselves, our families, and our local and wider communities. Dr. Colin Murray, our young and enthusiastic Tutor, certainly created great interest in those present and, clearly, the subject lends itself very well to open discussion which is the hallmark of a good W.E.A. course. More details next month about the course which starts on Wednesday 14th September.

The W.E.A. is running a short training course for anyone interested in teaching immigrant English. An orientation meeting will be held at 7.30 p.m. on Tuesday 20th September at the St. Ives Youth Centre, Broad Leas, St. Ives, and thereafter for six weeks at the same time and place. Normally, those teaching women would be required to give their services during the day, and those teaching men during the evening.

If you are interested in finding out more about the St. Ives course (for which there is no charge) and what the teaching would involve, please contact Mrs. Carol Allen, 17 Fairfield, St. Ives, telephone 0430 65134.

BALLROOM DANCING

Thursday at 8.00 p.m. at the School.

Tuition for beginners, improvers and Gold Medallists by a qualified instructress. - come along and join in the fun.

Fees 24 a term per person - 40p a lesson.

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SINGING ERA CLUB

1st and 3rd Wednesday in the month at 7.30 p.m. at the School.

Listen to the Big Bands of the 30's and 40's and enjoy Glen Miller, Benny Goodman, Artie Shaw etc.

All welcome - bring your old favourite records with you and enjoy yourselves.

BAR HILL HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

B.B.C.'s recording of Gardeners Question Time at Bar Hill School on Friday 2nd September. As there will be no issue of tickets would you please arrive early as the B.B.C. have requested that the audience be seated by 7 p.m.

Visit to Hemingford Park Nurseries. Commander Alington will show us round his nurseries giving demonstrations of taking cuttings etc. Should you wish to go but have no transport, cars will leave the School at 6.30 p.m. If you wish to make your own way there you should be there for 7 p.m.

Autumn Show 10th September. The Schedule will be published in next months Newsletter. For the flower arrangers this year's set piece is 'Silver Jubilee'

Any further information you might want concerning the above events I will do my best to help you.

A.E. Gowen, 27 Gladeside (Secretary)

1ST BAR HILL SCOUT GROUP

Well the summer holidays are here once again and both the Packs and the Troop have stood down until the new term in September. Before the first meeting the Cubs will have been camping at Abington and the Scouts, we hope, at Thetford. Also during the holidays there will be things for the lads to do, including the waste paper collection, the Keep Bar Hill Tidy campaign, a cycle rally and the new famous cart rally.

Our next waste paper collection will be on Saturday 13th August and as usual we will be starting prompt at 9 a.m. so please remember to have your papers out before the van drives down your street! Thank you all once again for your support, it is this support that has enabled us to take all the boys camping this year!

With regard to the Cubs camp, if any Parents have NOT received the letter concerning the camp, please contact either Gerry Craske or Brian Medlar straight away.

Parents of Scouts can expect to hear more about this proposed camp in the not too distant future.

We are in need of more adult leaders and we hope to be able to appoint the following before the new term starts.

1. An Assistant Scout Leader to work with the Troop on Friday evenings.
2. An Assistant Cub Scout Leader to work with the Pack on Friday evenings.
3. Instructors who would be able to help out on a non-regular basis with either of the Cub Scout Packs or the Scout Troop.

If you are at all interested, or would like to find out a little more about what it all would entail, contact Kevin Read-Jones of 31 Acorn Avenue as soon as possible.

Gerry Craske.

THE 'KEEP BAR HILL NIOY' CAMPAIGN

This is going to be run by the Bar Hill Scouts and Guides and will take place during the school holidays. It is hoped that ALL children will join in with the various projects and not just those who are members of the above organisations. Parents, please bring this campaign to the notice of your children and encourage them to join in. The Campaign will be held during the week commencing the 14th August and has three distinct projects as follows:

Monday 14th August - cleaning up the Drift, that part of which is inside the Perimeter Road. Meet 10 a.m. outside the Green Hut on the edge of the Village Green.

Wednesday 17th August - cleaning up the stream, the section of which runs between the Perimeter Road at the Dry Drayton boundary and the golf course. Meet 10 a.m. outside the Green Hut on the edge of the Village Green. Wear only very old clothes for this session! Also wellington boots would be a good idea.

Saturday 20th August - cleaning up the Mall, the Spine Path between the Church and the Hall and the area in front of the Hall. Start at 2 p.m. meet outside the Church Centre. This session will carry on until tea time when, weather permitting, a picnic will be held for all helpers (so bring a cup). Also we have to have a burn up of some of the rubbish collected on the site of the bonfire at the end of the Village Green and this is the area where the picnic will be held.

Whilst this campaign is mainly aimed at the children, it is hoped that some parents will also find time to come along and help out. Dads will be most welcome as muscle power will be required, mainly on the Wednesday.

Lost in the Mall on Jubilee Weekend (Sunday 5th June 1977)

One plastic bag containing several personal belongings, main items included black corded straight leg trousers, black wool (striped) straight skirt, red t-shirt.

Owner would appreciate part if not all items returned.

Any information please telephone Cambridge (0) 40614.

SITUATIONS VACANT

Mother and Toddler Club Supervisor

Required for September a Supervisor to run the Mother and Toddler Club.

The work involves three two-hour sessions: - Monday afternoon, Wednesday morning and Friday afternoon.

Applications for this post are invited from anyone who feels they can offer the qualities necessary for work with young children (13 months - 3 years) and their Mothers.

Apply in writing before August 30th to Mrs. Saxton, 36 Partridge Drive, Bar Hill



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